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Summit State Bank Opens New Branch in Healdsburg, Expanding Sonoma County Reach

Santa Rosa, CA – (July 13, 2009) – Summit State Bank (NASDAQ: SSBI) opened a new branch in Healdsburg today at 1001 Vine Street in the Safeway shopping center.

“We are thrilled about opening our new branch in Healdsburg today! We are proud to support local Healdsburg businesses, which accounted for 80% of the 18 subcontractors we used to build our branch. As Sonoma County’s Top Rated Bank, we have a strong commitment to building partnerships with local businesses and the community,” says Tom Duryea, President and CEO of Summit State Bank.

Summit State Bank is the only Sonoma County-based bank to receive Bauer Financial’s highest rating of 5-Star Superior, placing the bank in the top tier of all banks nationwide.

In addition to the new Healdsburg location, Summit State Bank has branches in Santa Rosa, Rohnert Park and Petaluma.

Summit State Bank has total assets of \$362 million and total equity of \$56 million at March 31, 2009. Headquartered in Sonoma County, the Bank provides diverse financial products and services throughout Sonoma, Napa, San Francisco, and Marin Counties. Summit State Bank stock is traded on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol SSBI. Further information can be found at www.SummitStateBank.com.

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